

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

First lady to attend Diana's funeral

EDGARTOWN, Mass. — Hillary Rodham Clinton will represent the president at the funeral of Princess Diana in recognition of her "deep personal association" with Diana, the White House said Tuesday.

White House deputy press secretary Joe Lockhart said Mrs. Clinton also has "deep respect for her humanitarian work."

"We believe she will be passing along the American peoples' condolences," Lockhart said.

The invitation to the first lady read: "It is the wish of the Spencer family and of the Royal family that Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton should receive a special invitation because of her close personal association with Diana Princess of Wales."

Lockhart said Mrs. Clinton will attend the funeral in Westminster Abbey on Saturday, then return to the United States.

Asked to detail the personal relationship between Diana and Mrs. Clinton, he said they had met on several occasions and added: "There was certainly a confluence of interests between the first lady and the late Princess Diana, particularly if you look at some of the charity work she did on breast cancer, children and people with AIDS."

Panda gives birth to twins in China

BEIJING — A panda has given birth to twins at a research center in southwestern China — a rare successful pregnancy in captivity for the endangered species.

The cubs weighed 5 1/4 ounces and 4 1/2 ounces at birth Friday at the China Giant Panda Protection and Research Center at the Wolong Nature Preserve, the Xinhua news agency reported Tuesday.

The panda and her offspring were in excellent condition, a worker at the center in Sichuan province was quoted as saying.

Yeltsin plans to step down in 2000

MOSCOW — Boris Yeltsin — Russia's first popularly elected president — declared Monday that he will step aside when his term expires in 2000, clearing the way for a pack of candidates already jockeying to succeed him.

Yeltsin's recent health problems and a two-term limit in the constitution already had appeared to rule out a third term for the Russian leader. But his sudden announcement at a Moscow school still caught many by surprise.

"My term ends in 2000. I will not run anymore," Yeltsin told children and teachers on the first day of classes at School No. 1253.

Looking upbeat and smiling, the 66-year-old Yeltsin said younger, more energetic people would be needed to run the country in the future.

"We have a very good team — a good, friendly and intelligent team," he said, suggesting that his preferred successor would come from within his own administration.

Baptist reverend seeks forgiveness

DENVER — A day after church leaders dropped an investigation into his alleged financial misdeeds, the president of the nation's largest black denomination opened its annual meeting Tuesday by asking members for their forgiveness.

"I've come again to ask you to forgive me for my errors, to forgive me for my mistakes ... to look upon me as your brother," the Rev. Henry J. Lyons said in an appeal to people in the pews of the 8.5 million-member National Baptist Convention U.S.A. "I need to know I am forgiven."

Lyons got a standing ovation from the crowd of a few hundred people.

Lyons has been accused of using church money to buy real estate, cars and jewelry for a woman other than his wife. He has denied having an affair with her or spending church money on personal items.

While opponents still planned a floor fight to unseat Lyons, even some of his staunchest foes conceded he has too much support from the leadership.

On Monday the 200-member board of directors and 1,000 church leaders voted to drop "the whole matter," said the Rev. E.V. Hill, head of the 18-member Ethics Commission that investigated Lyons.

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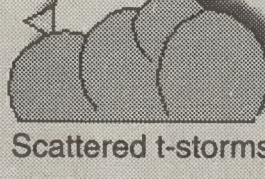
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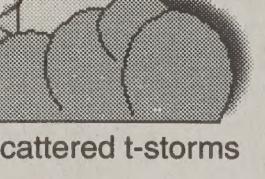
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Postal worker shoots 2 women, self

Associated Press

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — A postal worker opened fire Tuesday in a crowded post office, critically wounding his ex-wife and a friend before shooting himself to death as terrified customers fled, authorities and witnesses said.

The man left his station at the counter when he saw the two women enter the post office about 1 p.m., said Bobby Hernandez, a police spokesman.

"As soon as they walked in, they saw

him leave through the back. Then he came back in through the front doors and shot them," Hernandez said.

Each victim was shot once and then the gunman walked away casually, police and witnesses said.

"He exited the post office, went to a tree, looked up in the air and shot himself in the face," Hernandez said.

Police identified the gunman as Jesus Antonio Tamayo, 65. A co-worker, John Parfumose, said Tamayo was a counter clerk with 41 years experience.

Hernandez said the victims were

Tamayo's ex-wife, who he divorced four-years ago, and a family friend.

A regular customer at the post office said she recognized the shooter as a longtime counter clerk.

"I have known him for a long time and he has been nice," said Judy Rivas, a store worker from across the street who said she was at the post office to check her mail.

Amy Reed, another witness, said she saw people fleeing the post office.

"I heard a lot of commotion," she said. "Dogs were barking, people were screaming and running towards me."

Lorraine Nelson, spokeswoman for Jackson Memorial Hospital, said two women who were shot "are in an operating room in critical condition. They are from the Post Office and, that's all we know."

An hour or so after the shooting, the gunman's body remained in the parking lot, covered with a tarp.

The scene is only a few blocks from the ocean side mansion where Gianni Versace was shot to death July 14. The suspect, Andrew Cunanan, was later found dead from an inflicted wound.

Some theorized that the gunman accidentally stuffed too much garbage into the cargo ship. Russian newspaper cited an unidentified source, Tsvetkov failed to properly load Mir's computer into the cargo ship.

Reports in other Russian media seemed to exonerate the crew, saying that several highly skilled space pilots also crashed ship in later computer simulations of the incident.

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Skeptics could argue that Russia has a vested interest in finding that technical problems aboard Mir — a cash cow for their struggling space program — did not cause the collision.

"It has been a longtime tradition here in Russia to look for scapegoats," Tsvetkov, the Mir commander, said after returning to Earth on Aug. 14.

A news anchor for Russian Television noted that the Mir was plagued by breakdowns throughout the crew's six-month mission. "Such a categorical conclusion that the crew is to blame sounds rather strange," he said in a brief commentary after the finding Tuesday.

Ryumin, who also is deputy director of Energia — the company that built the Mir and oversees it — said the finding was reached after a thorough examination of flight data. But he would not specify in the interview what error the crew made.

It's not even certain the decision will stand. The head of the Russian Space Agency's manned flights program, Mikhail Sineleshchikov, told ITAR-Tass later that the commission

► LOCK from page 1

"If someone's walking at 3 a.m. around a student complex, most people don't question them," he said.

"They feel comfortable in the environment they're making their burglaries in."

"Students should lock their door and windows anywhere someone has access to them, whether they're on ground level or a balcony."

Do Val also said if a person encounters a burglar or realizes a burglary has occurred, they should contact the police immediately. There is little chance of solving this problem unless the police receive timely help.

Figure it out

The New York Times
Crossword puzzle

has yet to make a final decision and another panel could still overturn it.

A spokesman at Russian Mission Control said ground controllers were unaware of the decision. A call to Ryumin went unanswered.

Russia's space program has an elaborate bonus system that includes not only hazardous-duty pay, but specific payments for such tasks as spacewalks and manual dockings.

There is also precedent for financial penalties, with cosmonaut Gennady Strekalov saying he was

stripped of some benefits for refusing to make an extra space walk from Mir in 1995.

This summer's near-calamitous Mir accident occurred during a practice manual docking. Tsvetkov failed to properly load Mir's computer into the cargo ship.

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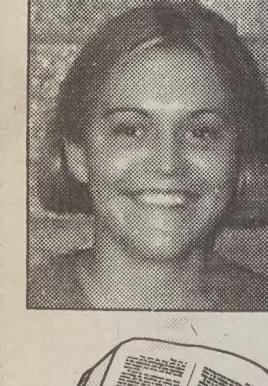
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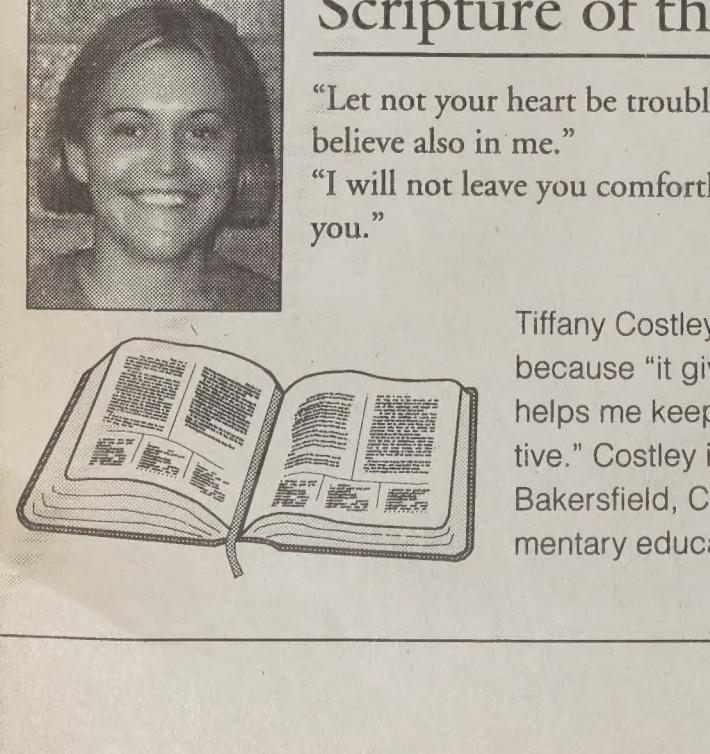
Scripture of the Day

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me."

"I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you."

—John 14:1, 18

Tiffany Costley likes this scripture because "it gives me hope and helps me keep an eternal perspective." Costley is a sophomore from Bakersfield, Calif., majoring in elementary education.



Hobo spiders becoming well-known, disliked

Derek FAY
University Staff Writer

the name "black widow," and most people to shudder as the poisonously little arachnid inspired everything from names to tattoos.

or the name "hobo spider," most you will usually get are bows and inquisitive looks.

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usually causes a large area of redness which disappears after a few hours, leaving a bump similar to a mosquito bite. Within 24 to 48 hours, blistering may occur which ruptures, leaving an open wound. This type of wound, called a necrotic lesion, can take anywhere from weeks to months to heal.

"It is a spot that won't heal, essentially, to small children and infants.

"There is evidence that smaller individuals suffer from it more," Roe said.

More serious symptoms can include fevers, vomiting and headaches that don't respond to analgesics.

Recent media attention has been focused on the spiders because it is prime spider season. Right now conditions are perfect for hobos and some other spiders to thrive. Because of their life cycle, most hobos will be seen between late August and early October, said Frank Zabrotzky, environmental specialist for the Salt Lake City and county health departments.

Recently, Utah news anchors have donned concerned expressions as they have recited stern warnings about steering clear of the infamous "aggressive house spider." This label, which is the unofficial name of the hobo spider, has spawned several myths. Stories have been told of hobos attacking people "for no good reason," simply because hobos are, well, jerks.

This is not true according to some entomologists.

"They look like they are attacking because they are running at you. They are trying to get away and they keep going," Zabrotzky said.

"This business about being aggressive — frankly, I don't believe it," Roe said. He said that if they do attack, it's most likely in self defense.

Hobos are mostly found on the floors and in basements of homes, a fact that will disturb squeamish college students in Provo who happen to live in basements.

Bites can be more hazardous, even deadly, to small children and infants.

"About two-thirds of (encounters) come from the basement," Roe said.

For those arachnophobes who wish to protect themselves, common sense can be the first line of defense.

"It's a housekeeping matter," said Carol Rowberry of Rowberry's Termite and Pest Control in Provo.

Simply vacuuming areas behind furniture and other places will keep hobos at bay, she said.

To keep from being bitten, an article by Vest suggests that a person wear long protective clothing while working in the basement or garden. Although hobos don't like to climb, they will. Keeping the bed covers from touching the floor can prevent the spiders from ascending into the sheets where they have a tendency to bite people who roll over on them.

Despite their snowballing infamy, some people concede that hobo spiders get a bad rap sometimes.

"It's a media-controlled situation," Rowberry said. "People need to stop being made afraid by the media. They need to be educated."

She said every time hobo spiders are mentioned in the news, telephone calls flood her pest control office. Most of the people who call think they have hobos in their house but usually turn out to be mistaken, she said.

Roe also believes that although people should be aware of the spiders, there is no need for panic.

"You don't want to get bit by one, but it isn't anywhere near as life-

threatening as a black widow, and (a black widow) is not all that threatening," Roe said.

Hobos build funnel-like webs and have a few characteristics that help distinguish them from other spiders in the home. They are about 12mm to 18mm in size and have unmarked legs.

They have "chevron" patterns that

can usually be seen on their backs and males have two "pedipalps" which look like protrusions with small boxing gloves on the ends, growing out of their face.

Vest suggests taking a specimen to a qualified arachnologist for identification if there is a question about what type of spider has been found in the home.

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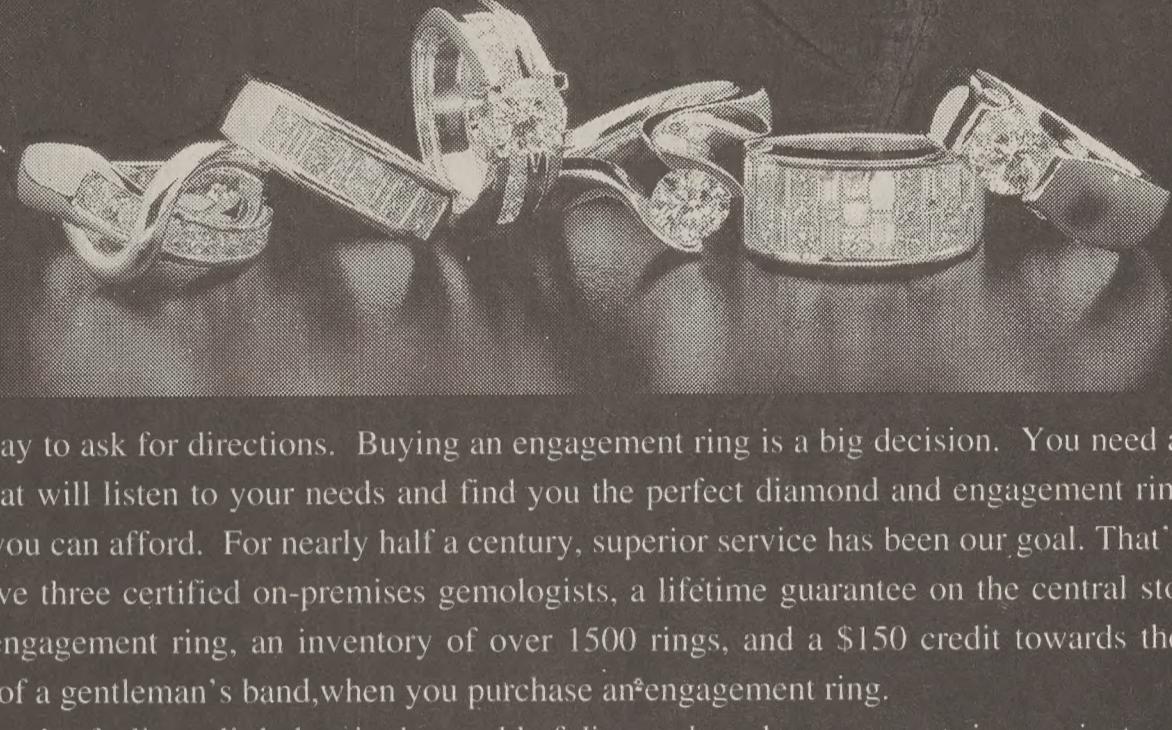
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Faculty Center to offer teaching conference

By MISTI PINCOCK
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The BYU Faculty Center will present its seventh annual Excellence in Teaching Conference Sept. 13 from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Joseph Smith Building. The theme for this year's conference is "Building Character in the Classroom."

The conference is open to part-time faculty and teaching assistants. It will feature 45-minute workshops, which will provide ideas on how to teach more effectively. Each participant will be able to attend three workshops.

Danny McKell, a graduate student research assistant at the Faculty Center, said, "The main thrust of the conference is to improve teaching. By improving the teaching skills of TAs and faculty, it is hoped that the quality of education for all BYU students will improve."

The keynote speaker for the conference will be Addie Fuhriman, dean of graduate studies. She will speak on the importance of using talents and personal skills to improve teaching. Fuhriman received the Distinguished Academic Award from the Utah Psychological Association and has published articles on small group therapy in professional journals.

Other workshops will be presented by BYU faculty who implement interactive, successful styles of teaching in their classrooms. The 20 presenters come from a variety of departments on campus, including the statistics, psychology, business and physics departments.

Some of the presentations include: "The Evils of Lecturing," by Winston Egan; "How to Deal with Problem Students," by Marvin Kuchar; "Interactive Discussion of Issues Affecting Part-time Faculty," by Norm Nemrow; "Helping Students Teach Themselves," by Steve Turley.

Construction hard on disabled students

By MELISSA ROBERTSON
University Staff Writer

The construction at BYU has caused headaches for everyone, but students with disabilities may have a harder time than most getting around campus.

Although some students with disabilities say they have no more trouble getting around than any other BYU students, others say the construction has caused serious problems for them.

There are things wheelchair-bound and blind students need to help them get to class.

A clear path is important.

Kathy Taylor, a junior in advertising, from Petaluma, Calif., who is in a wheelchair, said when she wants to go from the Harris Fine Arts Center to the Jesse Knight Humanities Building, she must go all the way around the Museum of Art and the Abraham Smoot Administration Building because construction blocks the way. For most students there is a path through the MOA garden, but it is inaccessible.

Sometimes because of the construction, ramps are not clear so she cannot get through, Taylor said. She said she was going up the long ramp by the Wilkinson Center and was stopped by a large hose across the ramp. Fortunately, she said, a student helped lift her chair over the hose.

Jason Lusk, a junior majoring in statistics, from Rochester, N.Y., said because he is blind, he uses landmarks he can hear to determine where he is. For example, when he walks past the flagpole south of the ASB, he knows where he is because he can hear the flag rope clanking against the pole. But when the construction is loud, he cannot hear it. When that happens, he said, "it is hit and miss, and trial and error."

Lusk said he also has trouble because as part of the construction process, barriers are erected or vehicles are parked on the walkways. On Aug. 7, Lusk said he was walking between the JKHB and the HBLL and suddenly there was a big vehicle or device in his way and the sidewalk was torn up in front of him.

"I had no idea how to negotiate it," he said.

Lusk said he did not know that area would be closed off that day. He said he would like to be informed about construction before it happens so he could plan his route around it.

"They have traffic reports updating people on the I-15 construction. I'm not suggesting a helicopter, but there must be some way people with disabilities in general could be informed where construction was happening so blockages could be avoided or time allotted to get around them," he said.

Some suggestions for letting students know about where the construction is, are putting up signs at the construction sites, mailing flyers or sending e-mail messages, counseling, establishing a hotline, or perhaps a combination of these suggestions.

Taylor said she thought signs like the ones posted between the HFAC and the MOA that could tell how to get around the construction would be helpful.

Elizabeth Congram, a wheelchair-bound senior in elementary education, from Kingsport, Tenn., said signs should tell how long the area will be under construction.

"They've tacked a sign between the HFAC and the museum that says

it is temporarily blocked off," she said. "What do they mean by temporarily blocked off? A week? A year and a half?"

Some of the other suggestions are already in place.

Rochelle Rabe, a graduate student in school psychology, from Kirkland, Ohio, who is in a wheelchair, said the Services for Students With Disabilities Office also provides class and route counseling for students who come into that office.

"Mobile-impaired students ought to make appointments with our staff to take a look at their schedule, review it, and make sure it is reasonable," she said.

Byrd said Services for Students with Disabilities tries to inform disabled students as quickly as possible by sending out flyers to disabled students in advance of construction, and calling students when they find out about it.

He said the new system with e-mail for all students will make it easier for them to let disabled students know about the construction.

"It very well could be that with large group address books we can send out mass e-mail very quickly to everybody at once," he said.

He said the word does not always

get out to all the students because Services for Students with Disabilities does not know about a disabled student unless they come to the office. Also, he said once the office sends out the messages, it is up to students to check their phone or read the flyers. When they call students and the students are not home and do not have an answering machine, they keep calling back to try to catch the students at home.

Lusk, Congram and Taylor have all had contact with Services for Students with Disabilities but none of them have heard construction updates recently.

"I've never been notified beforehand," Taylor said. "I've talked to some other people and they said they have never been notified either."

Congram said she has received flyers and phone calls in the past, but not recently.

One option for making construction information available to all students in a way that they could find out that information when they need it is a construction hotline.

Byrd said Services for Students with Disabilities could not establish a hotline because it would require them to dedicate one of their two

phone lines for that purpose. "Perhaps university information could establish one," he said.

"I would use it. Maybe not consistently, but it would be a nice thing to have," Congram said.

But Mary Asmus, the secretary for the planning department of BYU Physical Facilities, said she had worked in the planning department for eight years and did not think a hotline would be feasible.

"There is so much going on, it would be really hard to keep updated. There is a lot of construction, a lot of crews, and a lot of people. There are so many contractors involved that it would be a monumental task," she said.

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I SEE WHAT YOU MEAN: Tarius Eugene Wright, a sophomore from Virginia, majoring in art, takes part in a demonstration designed to make students aware of challenges faced by disabled students. Construction has made maneuvering around campus more difficult for blind and wheelchair-bound students.

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College kids moo-v ing from milk to other, less-healthy beverages

ASHLEY BAKER
Monday Editor

According to a national survey by U.S. Milk Processors, college men and women are giving up milk to good health comes to what they drink — if the first things to go is

which was conducted in 1997 by Impulse Research Corporation, involved over 200 college students from across the country. They reported that many students are replacing milk with soda.

30 percent of college-age men and women report drinking soda regularly, and on average, are drinking only a half glass of soda a day.

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According to Lora Beth Brown, an associate professor of food science at BYU, current misconceptions about milk intake among college-age men and women could lead to a whole generation of men with osteoporosis."

It is said that bone density is affected by three things: activity, adequate calcium intake (25 mg), and, for women, estrogen levels at menopause.

It is also said that cola drinkers are at risk for calcium because the phosphorus in colas actually drains calcium from bones.

It is encouraged people to not drink milk because the fat content of milk scare them away from milk and 1 percent milk substitutes for whole milk."

It is suggested orange juice and fruit juices as alternatives. National Institute of Health recommends college-age men and women consume at least 1,200-1,500 mg of calcium each day, or five glasses of milk.

Milk Matters

4 out of 5 college age men and women do not meet the recommended daily calcium requirement



1 out of 2 college-age men do not get the calcium they need.

The National Institute of Health (NIH) recommends college-age men and women get 1,200-1,500 mg of calcium a day.

65% of college-age men and women surveyed are drinking nutrient-poor soda on a regular basis. (9.6-oz on average)

Milk and milk products provide about 75% of the calcium available in the food supply.

Fat free milk contains no fat and has 80 calories; 1% lowfat milk has 2.5 grams of fat and 100 calories per 8-oz serving

Milk offers 9 vital nutrients, including calcium and vitamin D for bone building and protein for muscle development and repair.

Source: Study conducted by Impulse Research Corporation and Roper Starch Research in conjunction with Rolling Stone Magazine in May 1997.

Departmental meetings held to inform students, majors

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The following is a list of a variety of departments throughout campus that will be holding informational meetings for new students and majors during the next month:

Agronomy and Horticulture — Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in 275 WIDB

Animal Science — Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in 375 WIDB

Botany and Range Science — Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in 401 WIDB

Dance — Sept. 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. in 257 RB

Economics — Sept. 18 at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in 150 FOB

Food Science and Nutrition — Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in 475 WIDB

Germanic and Slavic Languages — Oct. 9 at 11 a.m. call the department for place.

Health Sciences — Sept. 16 at 6 to 7 p.m. in 206 RB

History — Sept. 16 at 2 to 4 p.m. in 320 KMB

Linguistics — 11 Sept. at 11 a.m. in 2150 JKHB

Manufacturing Engineering and Engineering technology — Thursday at 5 to 7 p.m. in 214 CTEB

Microbiology — Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in 775 WIDB

Nursing — Sept. 17 at 6 to 7:30 p.m. in 490 SWKT; an application orientation will be held Tuesday at 3 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. in 490 SWKT and Sept. 12 at 1 to 2 p.m. in 2150 JKHB

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Zoology — Sept. 18 at 3 p.m. in 575 WIDB

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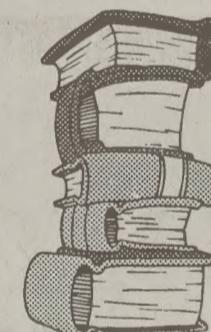
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Cougareat working to resolve long lines

By KATELYN HANDY SHRIBER
Associate News Editor

Students that ate at the newly remodeled Cougareat Tuesday were met with long lines at each kiosk to pick up and pay for their food.

Dean A. Wright, director of dining services, called Tuesday "a day of trial" and said that the long lines were not expected.

"The Cougareat did not live up to our own expectations. We do not want our customers to walk away frustrated; this is not acceptable to us," Wright said.

Wright has been pleased with the response of the campus community coming to dine at the Cougareat. He also hoped that customers realized that Tuesday was the first day for the Cougareat to operate when campus is at full-capacity.

Wright cited two reasons for the long lines at every kiosk during lunch. The first reason is that the Cougareat is short 13 employees during lunch.

The lunch shift is always the last to fill because of students' schedules, Wright said.

Wright said they are aggressively recruiting and hiring student employees to remedy the problem.

Because there were not enough employees, Wright said they thought of not opening all kiosks. But some national-chain kiosks, like Taco Bell, cannot have untrained employees work there.

"We cannot take a non-trained employee and tell them to start making tacos," Wright said.

Another reason for the long lines is the way the kiosks are set up. The Cougareat was redesigned like a food court in shopping centers and malls. Each kiosk has its own cash register as opposed to the more traditional collegiate cafeteria where food is picked up and then paid for at a centralized location.

Wright said that an advantage the Cougareat design has is that the food is customized: it is made fresh for each student rather than sitting under a heat lamp until it is picked up.

"We have advanced to a full quick-service restaurant rather than a kiosk where you grab something (already made) and take it," Wright said.

The new Cougareat has no "grab-and-go" or "hot hold" venues — such as the slots Taco Bell had at Cougareat II where students could grab a burrito that had already been made. Cougar Express, across from the Taco Bell, does have a few grab-and-go items.

Wright said that they may look at evaluating and incorporating grab-and-go meals to make the lines go faster. But Wright, who is also a licensed dietitian, stressed that it is important to make sure the food is "hot off the grill."

"We want to make sure the quality of food is the best," Wright said.

Another potential problem was seating. Wright said that seating capacity was met very early Tuesday, so additional seating was set up in the Terrace (the large room north of the Cougareat).

Wright said that there will be additional seating each day in the Terrace from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

There will also be additional employees stationed in the dining room during lunch to clean up the area.

Wright's main priority is to find a solution for the long lines.

"We have already recognized the challenge (of the long lines) and are up to meeting that," Wright said.



I DREAMED A DREAM: Members of BYU's Ballroom Dance Team perform their Les Misérables Medley for the Devotional in the Marriott Center Tuesday. The dance team also shared experiences of its tour to the Baltic States, Russia and Southeast Asia.

Christina Kemeny/Daily Universe

Ballroom dancers act as missionaries

By CLEON WALL
Associate Campus Editor

Although the BYU Ballroom Dance Company as a whole helped others to feel the influence of Christ, each member of the team had his own experience.

"The thing that hit me most about touring worldwide is that you go all over the place and meet members (of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints) and you realize that they are just like you."

— Michelle Seal, a senior majoring in elementary education

just realize that they are just like you. It is almost like you come home to a family wherever you go."

She also said that it was good to see the strength in the church members in the small branches.

But sharing the gospel was the main reason the dancers were on tour, and they had many opportunities to do so.

Kurt Seal, a senior in business said, "In the Philippines, we were striking a set after the show and had the opportunity to have a brief discussion with one of the staff where the company was sponsoring us.

"We were able to discuss several aspects of the Book of Mormon and how the church had

been started by Joseph Smith. We were able to place a Book of Mormon and hopefully we will have contact with that individual in the future."

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Funeral honors life of service

By KRISTEN SONNE
Associate Campus Editor

Funeral services were held Aug. 26 for Tom Kallunki, BYU career placement counselor, who passed away Aug. 22.

The funeral was held at the Edgemont North Stake Center in Provo. He was buried at the Utah Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Bluffdale adjacent to Camp Williams.

Kallunki passed away at the Utah Valley Regional Medical Center.

He worked in Career Placement for eight months. Before that, he served as a mission president in the Ivory Coast, Abidjan Mission in West Africa with his wife, Jennie Kallunki. The Kallunkis served in Abidjan from June 1994 to December 1996. Kallunki obtained an early release in December from his mission because of kidney cancer.

Before his mission, Kallunki

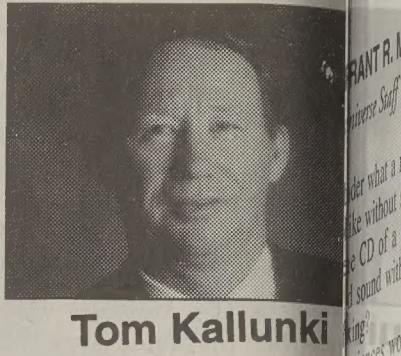
worked in Student Life for 10 years. He was Assistant Dean of Students when he received his mission call to Africa.

Kallunki was a professor of Military Science with the Army ROTC from 1980 to 1983. Before becoming a professor at BYU, Kallunki was a professional Army officer.

During his service in the military, Kallunki lived in many locations, including the NATO base in Belgium for three years, and he served two tours of duty in Vietnam and one

year in Korea.

"Next to his testimony of the gospel and his family, BYU greatest love," said his wife Kallunki.



Tom Kallunki

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Sound effects enhance audio experience in film, music

CHRIS R. MADSEN

Staff Writer

What a motion picture would be without sound effects? A CD of a popular rock song without post-processing?

Experiences would probably ring to the ear as eating a bowl of corn flakes is to the eye and not very tantalizing.

People become so accustomed to shaking explosions and production techniques used by sound engineers that many are really disappointed by how things sound like.

Modern-day audio engineer is a well-trained master of manipulation who collects, processes sound to make it film and music audibly pleasing to consumers.

For example, a sound engineer and book, "Sound Effects: Film," said manipulating production sound is an art.

"If we don't have the sound, we'll go out and get it, or create it," he said.

Hollywood has always manufactured sounds to get an audience excited.

But with the invention of Dolby Surround Sound technology, audi-



Chris Peterson/Daily Universe

BRING IN THE NOISE: Jim Anglesey, instructor in the Sound Engineering Technologies Department, runs the mixing console in Studio Y in the HFAC. Sound mixing allows listeners to hear sound effects more clearly and distinctly.

The technique of re-creating the sound in a controlled environment makes the sounds cleaner and crisper, he said.

"Hollywood is always going to hype it up. The louder and faster the better. When you are in the real world and you see a car crash, it's nowhere near as dramatic," said Jon Holloman, a BYU audio engineer.

Many of the sounds on the big screen do not ever occur in real life. Drawing on sound effects libraries, computer data bases and synthesizers, engineers can create any sound imaginable, Price said.

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Hollywood has always manufactured sounds to get an audience excited.

But with the invention of Dolby Surround Sound technology, audi-

ences may soon be hearing more natural sounding effects.

Using a series of speakers that encircle the listener, Surround Sound attempts to re-create the actual environment that is being portrayed on-screen.

"It will be interesting to see what changes we'll see in the product with this type of technology," Holloman said.

Rapid changes like this make the audio engineer's job more difficult than it used to be, Price said.

Price began working with the film company Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer 38 years ago.

Doing the audio for TV shows like "Dallas," "Little House on the Prairie," "CHiPs" and "Falcon Crest" involved no schooling, and lots of on-the-job training, Price said.

Scott Wiley, a sound engineer who

graduated from the University of Southern California with a degree in recording, said learning how to manipulate complicated machines is key to success in the audio industry.

"It's a very fast paced industry. They want people that are quick. That requires a real knowledge of how to operate the equipment. You learn most of it doing your own projects," he said.

Computers in particular, Wiley said, are a huge part of what the industry is and what it is becoming.

"Computers make it much faster and easier to do a job. It gives you lots more options," he said.

Holloman, manager of BYU's sound studios, said the strength of BYU's sound program is that it lets students have the opportunity for hands-on experience with top-notch equipment.

"We have a recording facility at BYU that would be competitive with any in the industry," he said.

BYU's program, he said, "sends kids into four general areas — sound for broadcast, theater, film and video and music."

Everyone in the industry uses the same basic tools to process sound, and it is a person's knowledge of music itself that gives him or her the competitive edge, Holloman said.

As part of the university's program,

he said he tries to teach students how to make music feel as good as possible to an audience.

Manipulating sound is a lot like

what an artist does with a paintbrush and canvas. Which musical effects he employs will determine how listeners will perceive a song, Wiley said.

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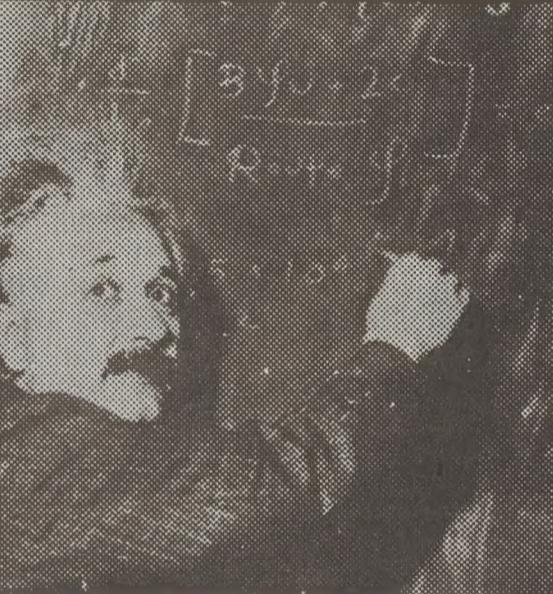
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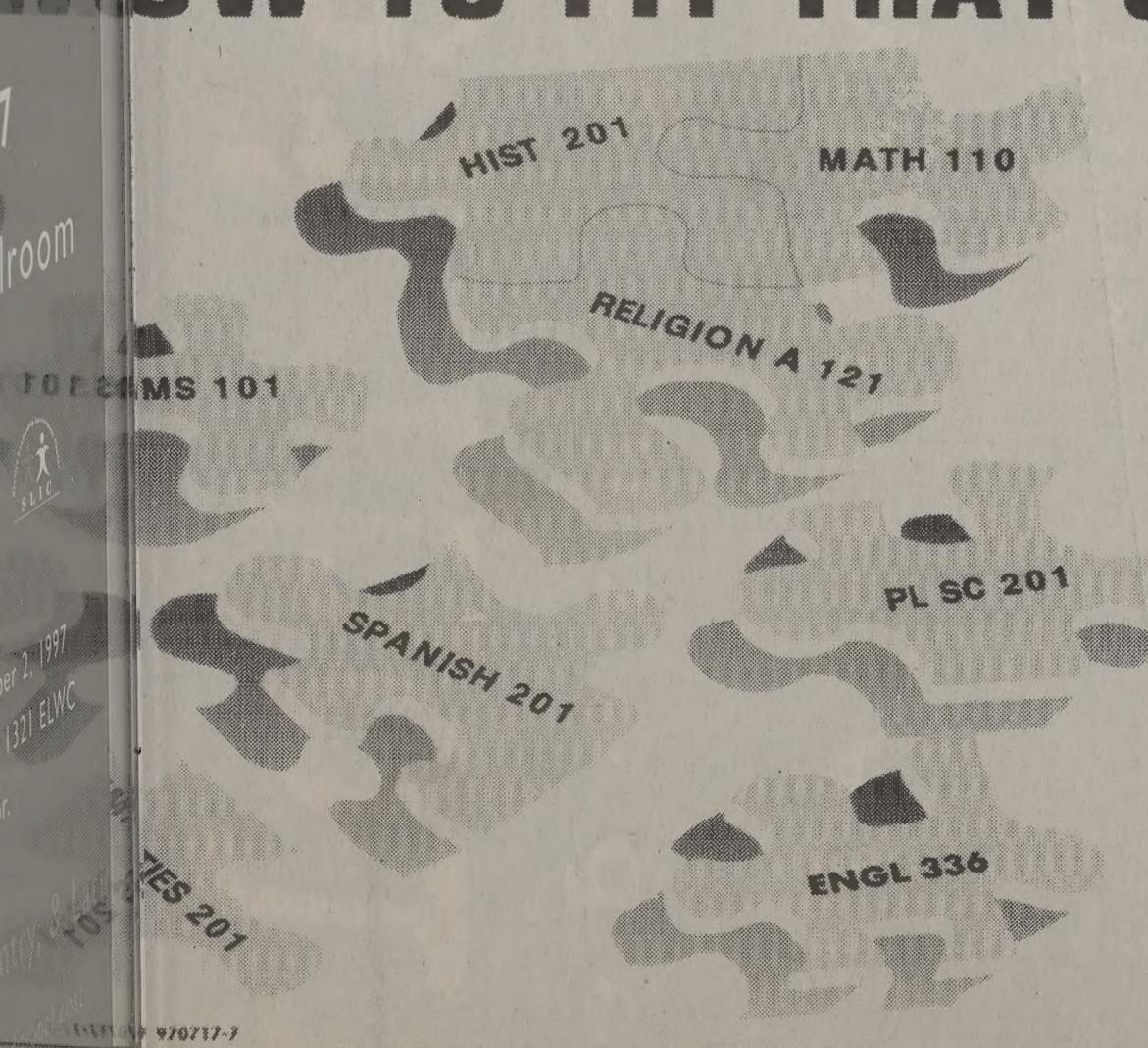
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Couch potatoes unite: Television is worth watching

By ERIC D. SNIDER
Lifestyle Editor

Can we stop the TV bashing already? Not since Jimmy Carter has a mostly-good thing gotten so little respect.

Now, I whole-heartedly agree that watching television for hours upon hours is probably not a good idea, simply because it's such a passive activity and long exposure may dull the brain. But let's acknowledge that doing anything for hours upon hours is probably not a good idea for the same reason: The brain gets bored after a while and shuts off. It's the same whether you're watching six hours of television or listening to a six-hour symphony.

The key, as with so many things, is moderation.

There are two prevailing attitudes among the "TV-is-bad" people, and they both have serious flaws.

First is the notion that all television is bad, period. These are the people who promote the annual "Turn off the TV Week," when people are encouraged to leave the set alone for seven days. I saw a quote from one of the organizers of this campaign where she said that "99 percent of television programming is worthless."

This is ironic, because in order to determine this accurately, she would have to have watched every single program on television. Evidently she, a woman who hates television, has been watching more of it than anyone else.

Obviously she didn't really do that. She probably based her sweeping generalization primarily on the lame sitcoms she's seen — "Who's the Boss?," "Married with Children," "The Facts of Life," for example. These shows and those like them were formulated

laic, generic and cheap, their soundtracks riddled with the braying sound of false pre-recorded laughter. I don't blame her for not liking them, but I do take issue with her bold statement that "99 percent" of television is bad.

The main alternative people propose to watching television is reading books. But let's face facts here: Your average newly-released book is no better than your average current television program. What do you see at the top of the best-seller lists? Romance novels, tell-all biographies, collections of comic strips. This is better than television? Books can also get away with more swearing, sex and violence than network television can.

So what we really mean when we say, "Read a book instead of watching TV" is "Read a 'classic novel' instead of watching TV." You know, "Wuthering Heights" and "Huckleberry Finn"

and "Great Expectations." Which means we're really talking about a list of maybe a few hundred books out of the hundreds of thousands that have ever been published.

Surely, out of the hundreds of thousands of hours of TV shows that have been broadcast over the last 50 years, we could find at least a few hundred programs that were thought-provoking, entertaining and uplifting. The "read a book" argument is not a valid one. Being printed on a page rather than broadcast on a screen does not automatically make something better.

The other argument against television is worse, I think, because it is maddeningly pompous and condescending. It's the one we hear frequently at church, and it goes like this:

"Not all TV is bad. There are some very good educational programs, and it's a good source of news, and of course it's nice to be able to watch General Conference."

These people are implying, if not saying outright, that the only good thing about television is its educational and spiritual value — that everything else is not worth watching. These people are kidding themselves.

Obviously, television is a tool that can be used for good, and the church has done quite a bit to harness its powers for the betterment of the saints. But let's not pretend that General Conference broadcasts are the only reason God allowed television to be invented.

We all know the mind needs to relax now and then. Do I need to drag out the quotes from Joseph Smith and Brigham Young about "unstringing the bow," and "if you're merry, dance?" Please don't make me.

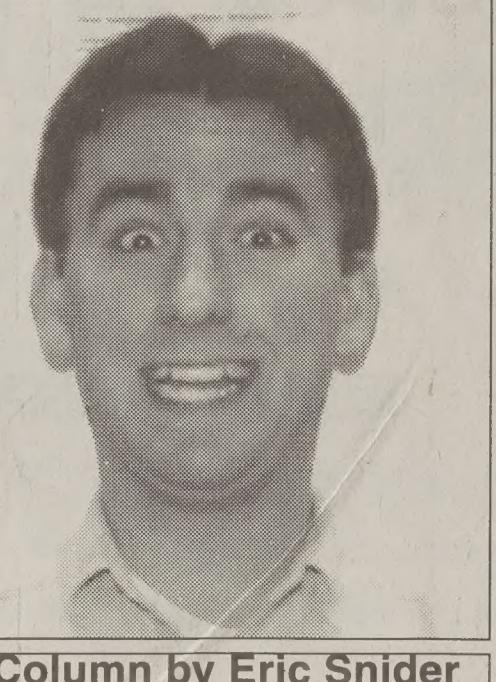
What, then, is wrong with watching a TV show that is not educational, not spiritual, and doesn't teach a valuable life lesson — but that is really funny, exciting, interesting or in some other way entertaining? As long as the show doesn't appeal to your baser instincts, then nothing is wrong with it.

Does it require a lot of you? Do you have to think a lot? Does it make you a better person? No, but that's the point. People need to relax, to forget the hassles and stresses of everyday life. That's what television is really for — the educational stuff is just icing on the cake.

Again, I'm not saying that sitting in

front of the tube for hours on end is a good idea. It's certainly true that some programs are more appropriate in their subject matter. But watching fun, entertaining programs a day should make anyone feel guilty. Laughing is uplifting and that's good. You can come out of it rejuvenated, a little bit more ready to deal with life.

Now rock and roll music, on the other hand...



Column by Eric Snider

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'ER' show coached by physicians to create 'fairly realistic' program

By LISA MARIE MEYER
University Staff Writer

Drama, intensity and life-threatening situations exist in NBC's popular series "ER." Although critically acclaimed, the show raises questions of realism in emergency situations.

"ER" creator Michael Crichton originally set out to accurately portray the medical world. This method has worked for viewing audiences. "ER's" homepage (www.nbc.com) said that in the 1995-96 season the show was ranked No. 1 among households in the key demographic group, ages 18 to 49.

Dr. David Anderson, an emergency room physician at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center, feels the drama is fairly realistic. The only problem he has with "ER" is the time element. In real-life emergency situations, Anderson said, procedures take more time and can't be solved in an hour.

The publicist of "ER," Andrew Schipps, agrees the show's dramatic license calls for an increased pace.

"We have to compress time for television reasons, yet we still maintain an accurate picture of the emergency room."

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—Andrew Schipps,
publicist of 'ER'

"Unfortunately, the ER is unable to accommodate every patient as soon as they come in."

Suzanne Lutz, emergency care unit coordinator, said UVRCMC has the busiest ER in the state. They see an average of 150 patients a day, and last year they treated over 55,000 people.

Because of the steady stream of patients coming in, not everyone gets first priority, and waiting time can last awhile. The triage area is intended to judge the patients by their vital signs, and more serious cases get first priority.

Serious cases or not, a typical day doesn't exist at the emergency room.

"At our facility, we see everything," Anderson said.

Common problems the medical staff see are lacerations, fractures and seasonal injuries. In the summer, motorcycle and ATV accidents occur all too frequently, and many children are hit by cars during this time of year.

In a short time of observation, a variety of cases existed. Patients experienced chest pain, chest pressure, motorcycle injuries, stroke symptoms, seizures and removal of stitches. The situations ranged from simple to severe.

"The hardest part of the job is seeing a young parent or child die,"

Morrill said. She also said she can't help but weep along with the family.

Although the atmosphere can be difficult sometimes, the staff feels it is very rewarding as well.

Anderson said he gains satisfaction from helping someone who is hurt. He also feels it's important to reassure the patients when they are frightened.

Although serious situations occur, funny ones exist also. A humor book has been collected that documents amusing stories.

One entry stated a lady brought in her son with the complaint, "He is seven years old, and he is not growing!"

Another woman had killed a black widow spider and put it in a glass to show her husband when he got home. She felt the need to drink water and suddenly realized she had used the same glass with the black widow in it.



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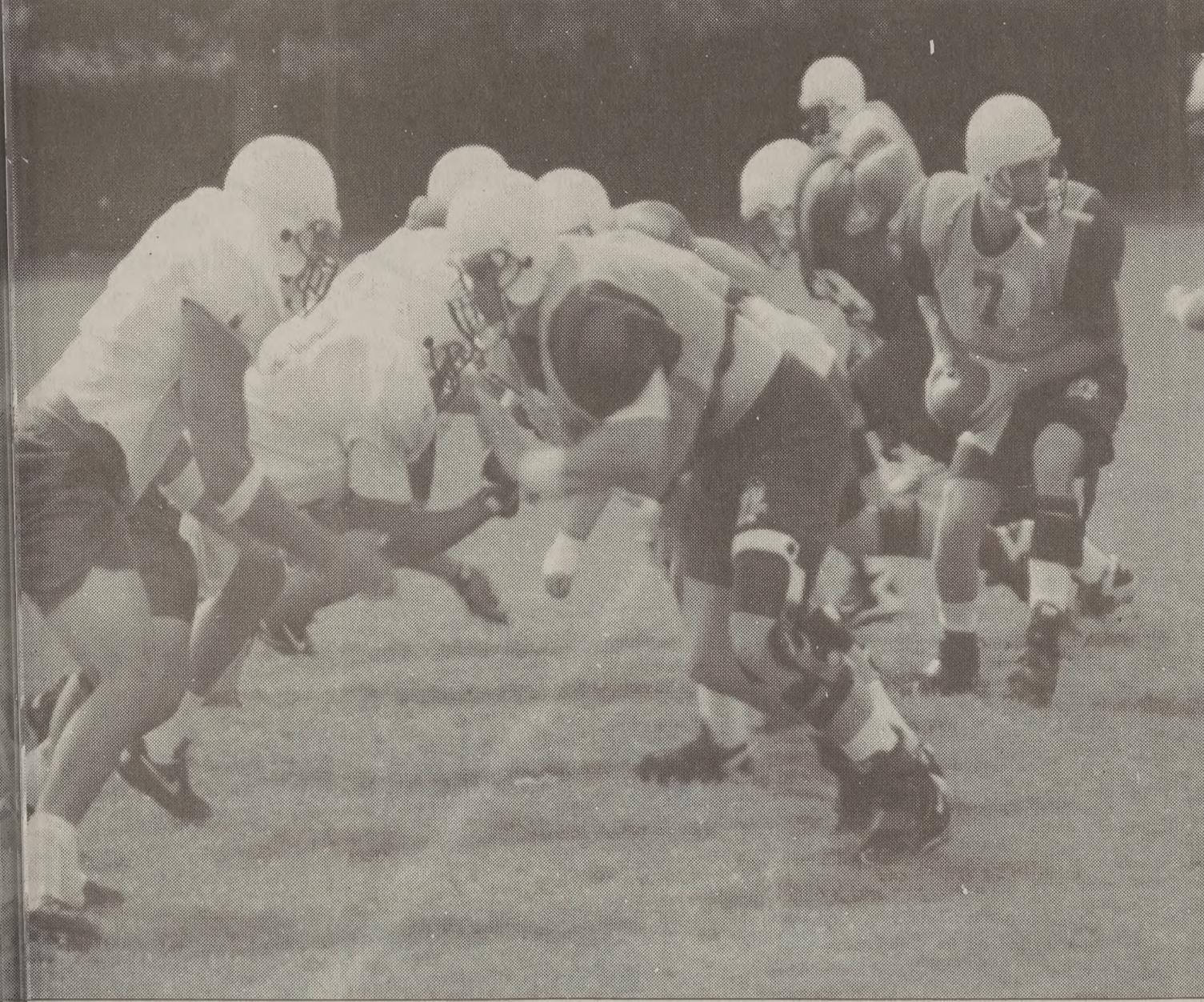
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WWN: Todd Mortensen hands the ball off in a drill for the starting defense. BYU must beat Washington in Provo on Saturday to win the national respect Cougar fans think they deserved but did not receive after going 14-1 in 1996.

Same with Huskies about respect

BRENICE PALMER
BYU Daily Universe Staff Writer

Washington Huskies battle altitude and national respect. They'll open on Saturday against the Cougars.

Huskies will be more than just the Huskies are ranked third in the nation, while the Cougars are the upper teens.

Two teams will also fight to extend their winning streak, the Huskies and the Cougars.

Head coach of the Huskies team, said the Huskies are the best team for the Cougars to play against.

"It's a perfect opener for them. They're a national target for them to beat back," he said.

He said the last time the Huskies came to Provo they couldn't

beat BYU threw.

He's got them all over the field," he said.

He said that loss in 1985 the Huskies defeated the Cougars.

Washington football coach Lavell Edwards said they feel good about their chance for the Washington Huskies.

The game is always tough, no matter where you play a good football game," he said.

He said national respect for the Huskies is involved in the game.

Anytime you play a game like Washington with a lot of smoking. We'll go out and do it," he said.

Coach Lavell said Coach Lavell has coached long enough to know how to use the home field advantage.

He said he's in around long enough to play with the team. He said -- parents -- he plays down the game.

He said their team is nervous in the heat and altitude and said those factors give them a home field advantage.

He said in Provo is exactly the same when you travel to Miami. You're playing on a different deck: heat, altitude, and a coaching staff who you don't know," he said.

He said he doesn't know if the altitude can be an advantage. He

believes the key to the Cougar's game will be execution.

"We want to run and would like to run it more. Our guys will play hard. We need to go out and execute and play well," he said.

Lambright said substitutions are a key to the game. Washington is hoping to do a lot of substituting and playing their younger team members.

"The back-up will win or lose games with the substitutions. We're putting a lot of emphasis on our twos and threes, because they will play," he said.

Lambright said their game plan will not change according to who the Cougars put in as starting quarterback.

"It doesn't make any difference. They all move really well and are the same types of quarterback," he said.

Lambright said his team will have oxygen and fans on the sidelines for

players during the game in Provo. He said they are preparing physically and mentally to battle the altitude and heat.

"The first thing to do is to run and run a lot. We can't duplicate that heat here in Seattle, but we can get our legs in shape," he said. "We have excellent trainers who know how to deal with the problem aptly."

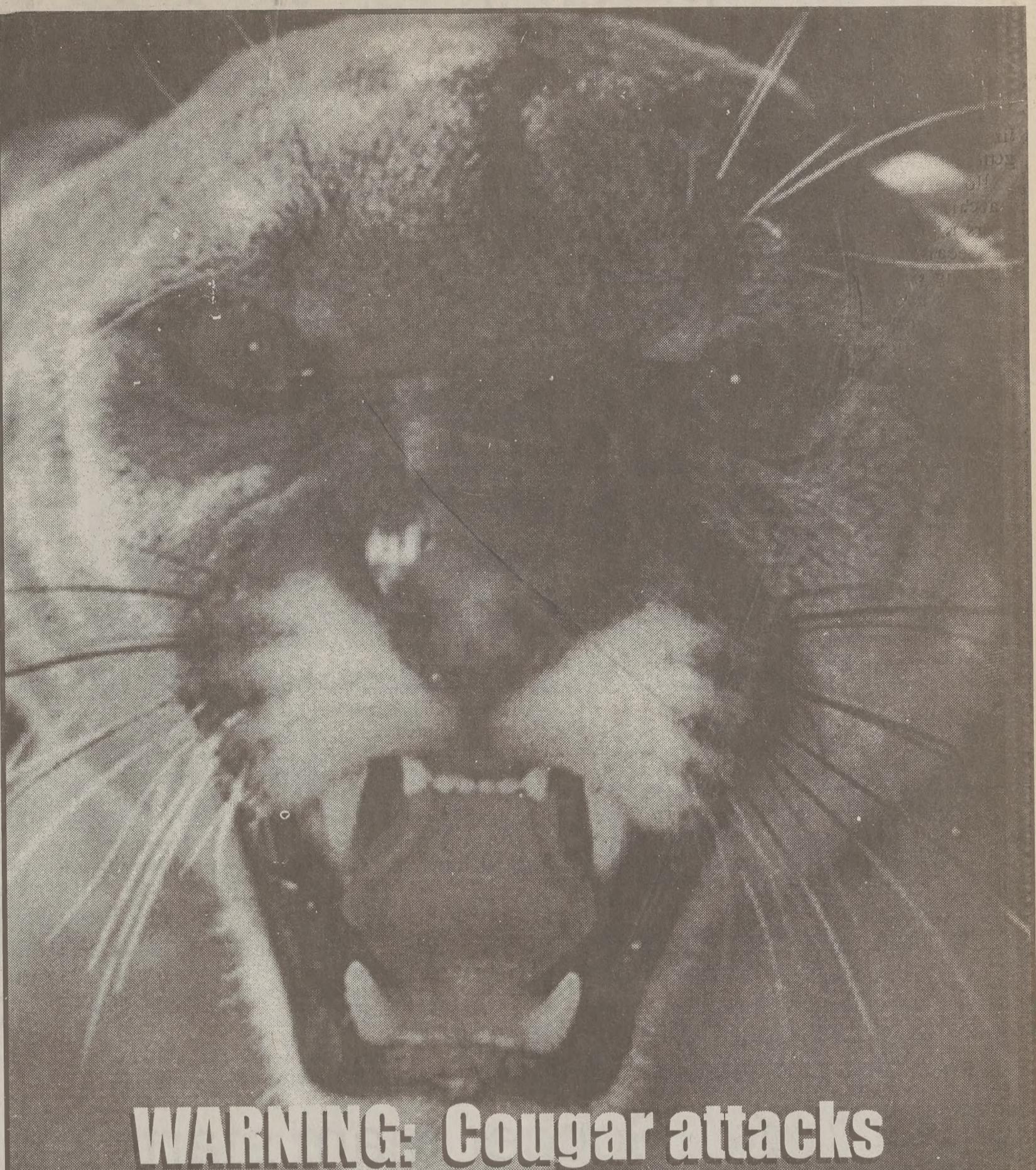
"The altitude is really a mindset. If we're ready to play in that home field advantage, then we'll dismiss it and do well," Lambright said.

Lambright said they feel complimented by their national ranking.

"Realistically we have good players, now we need to just go and do it," he said.

Edwards said the team has prepared to battle the Huskies.

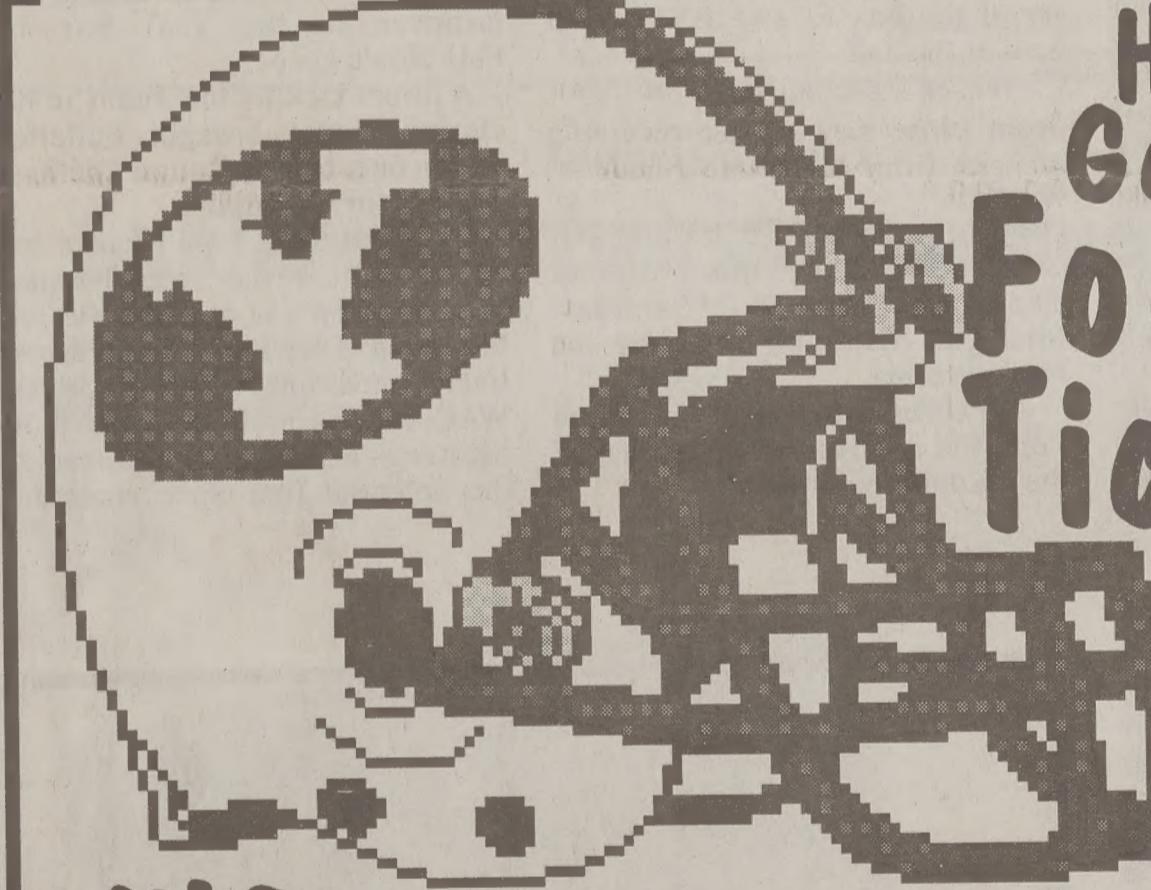
"They're a good football team. We'll go out and play the best we can," he said.



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Jim Rome gives his take on BYU sports

by MARK BROWN
Special to the Universe

The Universe recently conducted a phone interview with Jim Rome, the nationally-syndicated sports talk show host that was in Salt Lake City recently during the Jazz fury. Rome, who now has 48 affiliates, broadcasts from Los Angeles but has a lot of ties with the Western Athletic Conference and is very familiar with BYU and the sports situations Cougar fans encounter. The following is a partial transcript of the interview.

DU: What do you think about last year's BYU sports, particularly with the football team and the Bowl Alliance? Do you think the WAC will ever get in?

JR: I'm concerned because it didn't happen this year. My take was if it didn't happen this year, with the type of year BYU had, then how could it happen? To repeat a phrase, "if not now, then when?" If they work them into it, then great. I think if it would have come this year, a precedent would have been set and that would have opened up the minds of a lot of people who are not ordinarily open to the WAC. Then the other side of that is to say, "Yeah, it was disappointing, but there is nothing to be down about. You played your first New Year's Day game. You had a great, great year."

DU: What do you think about Ronney Jenkins and Omarr Morgan? Do you think this will ruin their careers?

JR: I don't think so. I'm pretty set on this whether it is in a conservative community like Provo, or anywhere else. These guys aren't above the law. They have got to understand that the laws of society apply to professional athletes, entertainers, talk show hosts and everybody else equally. Possibly it hurts them, but these guys are adults and they make their own decisions, be them bad or good. I think they have to pay a price. I think they have to own up to it and take responsibility for it.

DU: What about Roger Reid and the whole firing thing? Did BYU correct itself by hiring Steve Cleveland?

JR: I don't know if that corrected itself. I just happen to think there were some internally that were never really happy with him and they were just waiting for him to slip up. I'm not saying he didn't do a

good job there. I think Roger Reid did a good job there, and I think he had some success there. But much like Jim Harrick of UCLA, how do you fire a guy that wins 20 every year and wins an NCAA championship? It's pretty clear that people were waiting for him to slip up and I think Roger Reid was the same way. Frankly, Roger Reid running that smack about "Young man, you just disappointed the Prophet, seven million people and all the Apostles." That's appalling. A head coach in that position with that much authority and respect and professionalism cannot be saying things like that to kids who have chosen to go somewhere else for whatever their reasons might be.



DU: It was really a horrible thing around here.

JR: I will say that if they were really down with the guy and they really liked the guy, I think maybe they would have worked with him to maybe try and clean that mess up a little bit. The other thing is, like it or not, scoreboard is scoreboard and you weren't putting too many people in those seats. There are certain finances involved. The team wasn't playing well, they weren't putting people in the seats and I think that was the one hand grenade. It was the one land mine that he should have avoided but didn't.

DU: Our president, Merrill Bateman, has made an admonition that the teams here at BYU need to be in the top 20. It needs to be a recruiting tool. It needs to be a tool of the church. Do you think BYU can achieve that?

JR: I think it's certainly a noteworthy goal. I think it might be a reach. I think where you are playing in

terms of the conference you're in, the sort of things you have to pitch to the athletes. It might be a reach but it is certainly not impossible. Teams have had a lot of success there. It's certainly noteworthy. I think it is possible. Are they going to be perennial top 20 across the board, universally respected and feared? I don't know about that. First of all, you've got the whole WAC stigma. I think it's going to be a long time for people to overcome that stigma. I know the conference. I know the people that play in it. I know the people that work in it. But the national perception is just 'Wackybuilt' conference. I think until a few teams break through the WAC and nationally make some progress, it is always going to be seen that way.

DU: Do you think it has much to do with the church affiliation?

JR: Let's face it. It definitely takes a rare student athlete to get into a program like that. It's noteworthy. It's very impressive that they're demanding discipline and it's so stringent. I think that's good, myself. I think that's positive. I don't think that's necessarily a deterrent. But let's face it — they're not going to take a chance on some kids. It's like academically. Some programs will not recruit kids that some other schools will.

DU: How do you think we can get Provo and BYU more into "The Jungle?" It's pretty conservative...

JR: I'll tell you one thing that was encouraging to me when we first came on line. Before we were talking about the Jazz, of course we were talking about BYU. We were getting a lot of BYU calls. There was a lot of BYU interest until the Washington game. Then, all of the sudden, everybody went away. I remember at the time, the take and input I was getting was 'It's great Jim. It's great to get a national show giving BYU respect that we feel we deserve.' As long as your team is playing good football and is of interest, I'm going to talk about them. But you gotta work the phone lines. You gotta call and say 'Listen Rome, what about BYU? What about our schedule? What about our chances? We think we deserve the airtime.' These guys gotta sell it. If you want to get on the air, you gotta call. For instance, I'm not going to roll out of the rack (get out of bed) everyday and sell BYU until somebody talks about it.

BYU Icecats are ready to crash boards again in fall

by MICHELLE KOWALSKI
Special Projects Editor

If you're planning on gliding on the ice with the Provo Icecats this season, listen up. The Icecats will be having an orientation meeting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in 285 SFH. The meeting isn't just for those interested in trying out for the team, it's also for students who want to BYU's hockey club, said Carlon Scott, president of the hockey club.

"You don't have to play hockey to join the club," Scott said.

Tryouts for the team will be Saturday at 6:45 p.m. in the Accord Ice Center in West Valley. Those interested in trying out for the team need to attend the meeting Thursday, Scott said.

You must be a full-time BYU student with at least a 2.0 grade point average, said Royle Schmidt, Icecats head coach.

"I can't wait to get started," Schmidt said. Just about everyone will be returning this season.

Optimistic is how Schmidt described his feelings for this season. He said a lot of success is based on the hockey league. This year two new teams have been added to the league.

The University of Utah didn't have a team last year, but one has been organized for this year. Schmidt expects their team to start out slow, but to be good. The University of New Mexico has also added a team to the league.

The Icecats are not supported by the university, but the club is, Scott said. This means a lot of sacrifice for the players. They need to pay for everything.

Schmidt said the Icecats first game will be against Utah State on Oct. 10 in Ogden. On Oct. 11, they will be playing the University of Utah in the Accord Ice Center. He said he hopes many students will take the time to travel to these games to support the team.

The Icecats have an information line for info on volunteering, tickets, game schedules and tryouts, Schmidt said. The telephone number is 890-9999.

Soccer team starts off with 2 wins

University Services

Michelle Jensen scored a pair of goals on Monday to lead BYU to a 3-0 victory over the University of San Diego in the final round of the Reebok Invitational.

The Cougars improve their record to 2-0 on the year.

Jensen's first goal came at the 39 minute mark on a breakaway. Teammates Sara Reading and Athelia Graham were credited with the assist.

Two minutes later sophomore Jennifer Love scored from the center of the box to give BYU a 2-0 lead at the half.

Jensen's second goal was shot from close range after receiving a pass from teammate Shannon Kimball.

BYU returns home to host its first Cougar Classic this coming Thursday through Saturday. Michigan State and Tulsa are the invited teams.

BYU had to beat Cal State Fullerton to advance to the final of the Reebok Invitational.

Junior Shaunna Rohbock scored on a two-on-one breakaway at the six minute mark. Teammates Laurel Simpson and Ashley Monahan assisted.

Freshman Sara Reading headed her first goal as a Cougar in the 25th minute of the game to give BYU a 2-0 lead.

The Titans made it a 2-1 after Christina Stewart converted on a two-on-one breakaway in the 33rd minute of the first half.

BYU extended its lead to 3-1 early in the second half after freshman Kim Lowe took advantage of a turnover in the goal box by Fullerton's keeper.

A direct kick by the Titans in the closing minutes brought Fullerton within one, but the Cougars defense held on for the victory.

BYU and SMU have been selected to capture the second-annual WAC women's soccer Pacific and Mountain Division titles, respectively, according to the preseason WAC coach's poll. Both the Lady Mustangs and Cougars received all the potential first-place votes and

the maximum number of points.

BYU, which went 22-1 in 1996 and won the WAC Championship title, collected 72 points. The Cougars return nine starters including the 1996 WAC and West Region's leading scorer Shaunna Rohbock. Rohbock scored 35 goals as a sophomore and was named the WAC championship MVP.

San Diego State, which finished second to BYU in the WAC last year finishes second in the coaches pre-season balloting. The Aztecs welcome back eight starters, including the teams three leading scorers.

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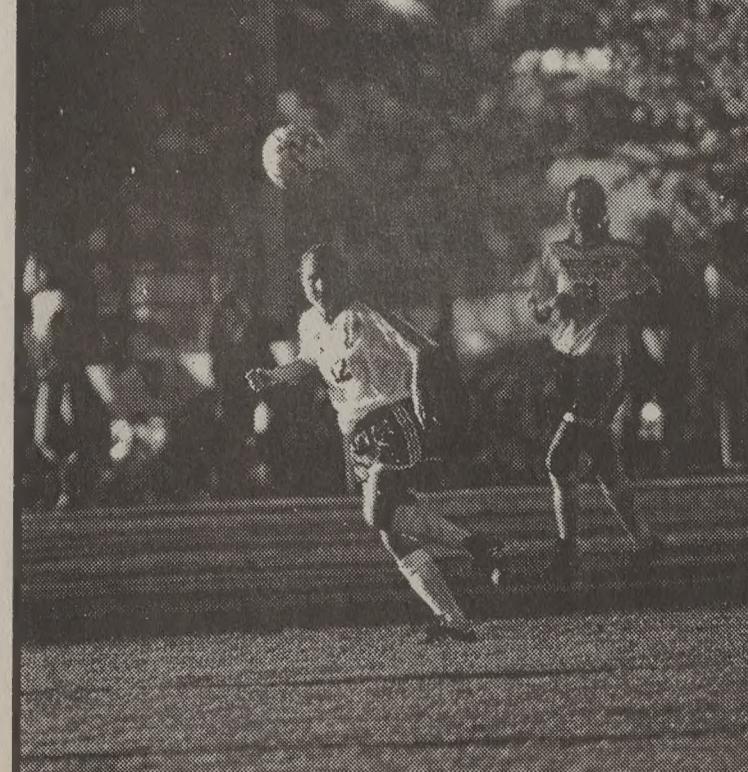
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Cosmo falls 100 feet in Rock Canyon

ERIK R. RASMUSSEN
Associate Sports Editor

BYU's mascot, is lifted from Rock Canyon by rescuers. He is in serious but stable condition. Fans are hoping that Christian University's horned mascot will be able to fill in for Cosmo's recovery.

The football team is running drills in preparation for its game, tragedy has struck a prominent member of the Cougar

a sixty-fifth year sophomore millionaire major with a minor in gymnastics, and BYU's mascot for more than 30 years suffered a serious fall while climbing near his cave in Rock Canyon Wednesday morning.

At the time, known as Cosmo the Cougar, was enjoying his favorite pastime of hunting red-tail hawks in Rock Canyon when he fell on the rocks and fell approximately 100 feet," said John Christensen, senior officer in the Police Department and a Rescue Team member.

He sustained a number of injuries, the most serious being ones that will require medical attention.

He reported seeing a blue and white streak to the bottom of a cliff accompanied by a puff of hawk feathers and squawking. A loud roar followed, then incessant, high-pitched shrieking alarmed the hikers who contacted police.

Members of the Provo Mountain Club climbed to the spot where Cosmo lay in anguish. They radioed paramedics and a zip line to get Cosmo



Erik Rasmussen/Daily Universe

FALLEN COUGAR: BYU mascot, Cosmo, is lifted out of Rock Canyon after a rock-climbing accident.

down from his treacherous perch.

"He must be pretty tough to survive that fall," one rescuer said. "I haven't seen anything this ugly since the Righteous Brothers broke up."

Cosmo was transported to the Utah Valley Regional Medical Center where Dr. Hiersche, a plastic surgeon, will be in charge of treatment. Cosmo is reported to be in serious, but stable condition.

"This is one of the most dangerous

canyons in Utah," Christofferson said.

"We're averaging about 12 rescues a year, and about half to a third of them are fatalities. The majority of them happen because people get off the trails, they try to take a short cut down and they find themselves in a hanging canyon with a lot of loose gravel and they slip and go overboard."

Other problems occur when people climb without ropes, do not bring sufficient supplies, are not familiar with the canyon, or get out late and find themselves trying to get down the mountain in the dark.

Christofferson suggested when hiking the canyon to go with those familiar to the area, and to stay on the trail.

"We want the students to enjoy the canyon, it's one of the most pretty canyons in the area," he said.

NBA's first season draws sellout crowds

Kristina Adamz
Sports Staff Writer

Women's basketball is off to the better. In conjunction with the National Basketball Association (NBA), the Women's Basketball Association will take the courts by storm. Eight teams consisting of former WNBA players have taken the WNBA by storm. It is now at. From New Angeles, the teams have been sold out everywhere they go. Attendance is above what those in the WNBA expected. Projected attendance of 2 million constantino, media represen-

tatives for the Houston Comets. Average attendance of the Comets, 11,000 fans, is higher than the league average of 9,000 fans. "The fans of the WNBA are great, comes me, personally," said Kristina Adamz.

Support across the league has been great. "Reaction in the first game" said Andrea Lepore, representative for the Monarchs. The opening night had over 11,000 fans in attendance. Lepore said, "The NBA will get bigger and better next season is likely."

Though the WNBA is only two years old, starting in June and ending in August, Lepore said the teams

play 28 games and the play-off format will be similar to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Final Four.

Erica Calhoun, media representative for the Phoenix Mercury, said that sales and attendance for the team had been wonderful. The level of play,

Calhoun said, has been tremendous and fast-paced. "The women playing are able to execute," Calhoun said.

"It's better than I thought. Fan support (in Phoenix) has been phenomenal."

There seems to be a general consensus that the WNBA will improve. Calhoun said that the women playing in the WNBA are really into it. "Each team will emerge into their style of play," Calhoun said.

Not only has fan support been great, but so has media support. Lori Montgomery, media representative for the Cleveland Rockers, said that the WNBA has three national broadcasting partners and other corporate sponsors. NBC, ESPN and Lifetime have aired various games throughout the season.

"A pleasant surprise" for Montgomery was when the Rockers had their opening game sold out, it was unexpected. Montgomery said in the future seasons there will be expansion to more cities and a longer season. "These women have a lot of nerve and lots of pressure on them," Montgomery said.

Though the WNBA is a part of the NBA, it has its differences.

Montgomery said that all the WNBA courts have the upper deck seating closed off. The reason for this, Montgomery said, is because it provides a more intimate setting.

One of the big differences that would be noticed if you were to attend a game would be the 3-point line. The line is set at 19'9" for the WNBA.

Other rules in the game consist of: the game being played in two 20-minute halves, a halftime duration of 15 minutes, there is no illegal defense called

and on the eighth team foul the opposing team gets two free throws, according to a WNBA rule summary memo.

Players in the WNBA are prominent players from colleges and from around the world. There are players from the United States Olympic Team, Russia, Australia and various other nations, along with college players from around the United States.

Though there are negative thoughts and ideas about the success that the WNBA will enjoy, the positive surpasses the negative.

In Utah alone, the Starzz games see over 7,000 fans a game.

The fans are tremendous. Head coach for the Utah Starzz, Denise Taylor, said, "We have great fans, very supportive."

Whether they are winning or losing, the Starzz fans are cheering and making lots of noise.

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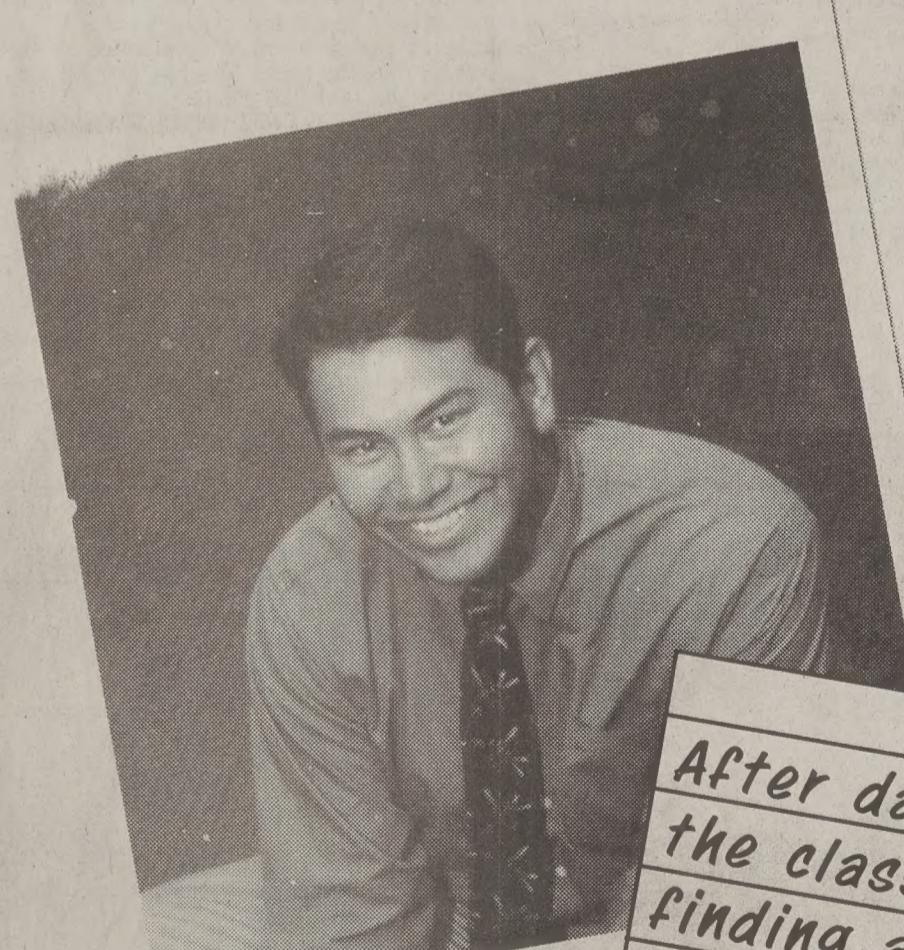
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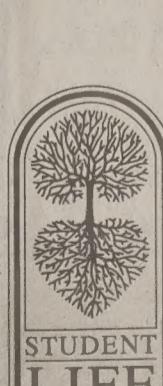
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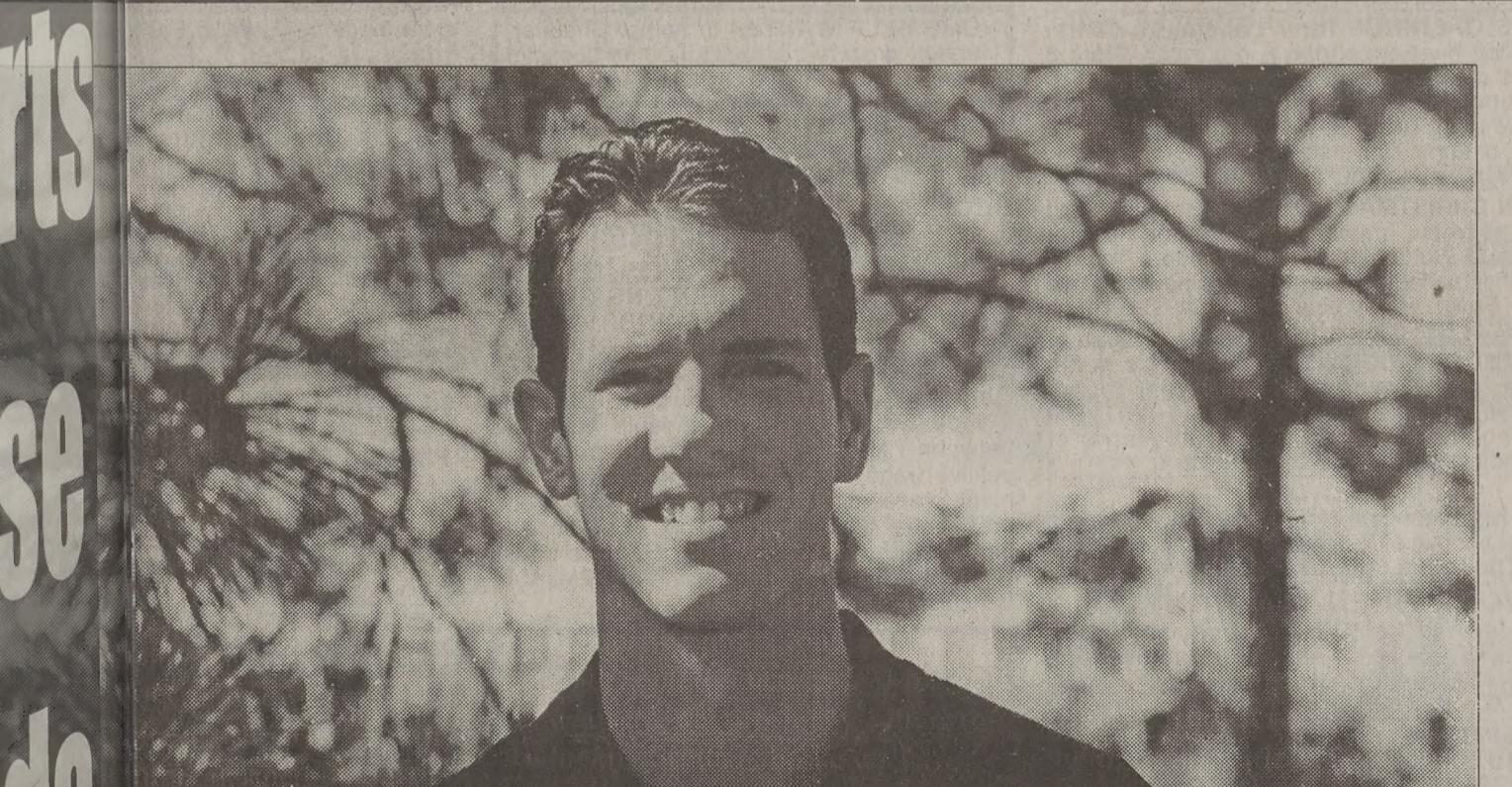
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